

**TOWN OF RANDOLPH**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Tuesday, February 14, 2012**  
**4:00 p.m.**

***BOS PRESENT:***

**Edward F. Gorham, Chair**  
**Peter K. Hanley**  
**Bob Henderson**

***OTHERS PRESENT:***

**Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk**  
**Raeleen M. York**

**Everett “Sonny” Barry (E.C. Barry & Son)**  
**Ted Barry**

Meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

Peter Hanley made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 31, 2012 meeting. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Raeleen York was recognized by the Board. Raeleen asked if she would be able to increase her hours from 20 to 25 per week. This is due to the increasing demands of the General Assistance program. She also asked the Board to consider allowing her to take over the cleaning of the office within these extra hours. She would be able to clean the office and save the Town money on cleaning services.

Peter Hanley made a motion to allow Raeleen to increase her hours from 20 – 25 per week and for her to take over the cleaning of the building within these 5 hours. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** This will begin the week of February 20, 2012

A letter will be composed and sent to Dan Albert about ending his services.

Janet Richards was recognized by the Board. She reported on an **ant infestation** in the Town Office. **Modern Pest Control** was called and they came in and evaluated the problem. They recommended a treatment which would begin immediately for the cost of \$99 and then beginning a monthly treatment at the cost of \$50 per month. The problem is pavement ants which come up from underneath the building. It was discussed that the money for this service could come out of Buildings & Land or the Contingency account. Peter Hanley made a motion to hire Modern Pest Control to service the Town Office. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Janet reported to the Board that recently the legislature had passed a law that municipalities can adopt an ordinance to **exempt** all currently serving **military personnel** who are stationed outside of Maine from paying **excise tax** on their registration. It has to be done by ordinance that would have to be passed at the annual town meeting. Randolph has probably 5 or 6 who would fall into this category. Bob Henderson made a motion to put this on the annual town meeting warrant for July and let the townspeople vote on this. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Bob Henderson made a motion to approve the **Audit Report**. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

At 4:30 the Board recognized Mr. **Sonny Barry**. They requested that Mr. Barry come in to discuss further the details of his contract. Bob Henderson had concerns that Mr. Barry was using too much sand on the roads as opposed to salt. Mr. Barry assured the Board that he purchased and is using double the amount of salt this year. Bob also asked him if he was following the “priority list” of streets that was presented to him after the acceptance of his contract. He again assured the Board that he is going by their specifications.

There was discussion of a written contract. Mr. Barry told the Board that he will have a written contract for them to sign at their next meeting. Bob Henderson said that he was concerned that the townspeople may ask about this at the Annual Town Meeting and he wants to be ready to answer them. Bob asked if it was possible to get some figures from Mr. Barry about how much salt etc., has been used so far.

The Barrys left the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Ed Gorham made a motion to go into **executive session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(a)** for a personnel matter. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.** Board went into executive session at 4:45. Board came out of executive session at 4:50 with no decisions or votes being taken.

Bob Henderson reported on his attendance at the meeting regarding the **Cable TV franchise**. He stated that the town has to have a written agreement and ordinance regarding the Cable TV. The attorney representing the towns brought a sample ordinance that can be prepared and adopted by the Board. The renewal process can be set for up to 15 years. There are also things that can be required by the municipalities when negotiating the renewal of the contract. There is a possibility to receive free internet for the town buildings.

The **smelt shack fees** were discussed. Ed said that he felt the town should repeal the smelt shack fees. Peter Hanley made a motion to repeal the ordinance and smelt shack fees. Bob Henderson seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Bob Henderson made a motion to pay the assessor's bill for \$300 from the Contingency fund. Ed Gorham seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Ed Gorham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peter Hanley seconded the motion. **VOTE – UNANIMOUS.**

Next meeting is **Tuesday, February 28, 2012 @ 4:00 p.m.** Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn R. Mealey, Town Clerk